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Applicants: Ib Mendel-Hartvig et al

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For: **Analytical Method Comprising Addition in Two or More Positions and a Device and Test Kit Therefor**

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal the Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-4 and 6-35 set forth in the Official Action dated February 23, 2004.

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